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WHIFFS FROM THE OLD SPORT BIKE

BY
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WE ALL KNEW THAT DUKE Kahanamoku was pretty speedy in what might be called his native element, but when it comes to turning around to see if the other swimmers are within hailing distance during a progress of a 100-meter race, well, that's certainly the limit.

According to the report of the swimming of the final heat of the sprint, printed on another page, Duke was so far ahead of his field that he looked over his shoulder when half way across the tank, and then slowed up, finishing one second behind his own world's record for the distance.

There may have been some good reason for Duke's apparent slackness in this race, and certainly an athlete who's so much better than his field can be allowed a little latitude, but still it seems a pity that he didn't swim that race for all that was in him, in the hope of smashing his own world's mark. It isn't every day that a speeder of land or water has the chance to smash records before royalty, in the greatest sport festival of modern times, and if Duke could have still further lowered the existing time for the 100 meters it would have been another feather in his cap. From the newspaper accounts it would seem that he took things very leisurely, and that had he not turned to watch the others, and then slacked up, he would have bettered his time by more than the one second he was behind the record.

RALPH ROSE LAID HIS DEFEAT in the spotlight to the fact that the event was held early in the morning, and that he wasn't up to form as he would have been later in the day. He explained that "big men were sluggish in the early morning." If Mike Murphy had quietly dropped a 16-pound shot on Ralph's toe just as he entered the circle, the big Californian would probably have been thoroughly awake.

"THE LEAST IMPRESSIVE TEAM in the procession was England's. Their men wore no costumes and generally presented a careless appearance," says a Stockholm dispatch describing the Olympic procession. Tut, tut. And then some more disapproval. To think of our staid British cousins appearing without costumes. Careless is putting it mildly.

SAWED OFF SHORT

PARIS, Fr., July 6.—Michael Scott, an Englishman, today won the amateur golf championship of France on the Laubouille links. Scott defeated the American, J. J. Anderson, yesterday in the semifinals by 3 up and 2 to play.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 6.—Carleton Y. Smith of Atlanta won the Southern singles tennis championship today by defeating C. M. Charest of Atlanta in the finals of the Southern tennis tournament. Smith defeated Charest three straight games—6-0, 6-3, 6-2.

Disgusted with his rank work against Chattanooga, when he practically donated a fray through his ineffectiveness and indifference, Manager Charley Hemphill of the Atlanta club has returned Lefty Russell to Philadelphia. Hemphill informed Connie Mack that he did not wish to have the \$12,000 lemon at any price.

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DUKE WORE NATTY UNIFORM ON VOYAGE

American Athletes Dressed Alike and Had a Great Time on Finland

Duke Kahanamoku was "some dolled up" when he set sail for the scene of his triumphs on the steamer Finland. The following interesting account of the athletes' trip across the Atlantic was written by George Horine for the San Francisco Call:

ON BOARD THE FINLAND (passing through the straits of Dover), June 22. To the cheers of thousands of enthusiastic supporters, the blare of bands and the strains of "The Star Spangled Banner," the American Olympic team left the Red Star pier in the North river on June 14 and the greatest athletic invasion in the history of sports was under way. Our ship, the Finland, is a stanch craft of some 12,000 tons, and is being used for the exclusive transportation of competitors and spectators at the fifth Olympiad.

Before leaving New York each man on the team was presented with a magnificent dress uniform. A trim-fitting blue broadcloth coat, with patch pockets and the national shield on the sleeve, is set off by white flannel trousers, white shoes and a white cap with the shield on the visor. Our track suits consist of a woolen jersey, semi-sleeves, with the United States emblem on the breast, and the regulation white pants, with red, white and blue stripes at the sides. In addition, each member was given a silk hatband and a flag, with the words, "Bring Home the Bacon," on the streamers.

Dodge Joe.

Our trip has been unduly long, as the routes of all the transatlantic lines have been materially changed since the accident to the Titanic. The course was about 200 miles south of the usual track to avoid the zone of icebergs. The sea has been calm, and light winds and sunshine have combined to make the deck a popular place. Entertainment has been furnished several evenings by amateur talent, and those who have a desire to dance are always accommodated by a first-class orchestra on the spacious decks. Shuffleboard and other standard deck games have proved to be popular with many ingenious exercises.

There are 108 track men on board, and the swimmers, fencers, wrestlers, cyclists, pistol and rifle men bring the total up to about 150. To give these men all a chance to work out regularly without confusion has been quite a task, but the management has succeeded in solving the question to a nicety. A printed schedule was posted the second morning out, in which the day's program for every athlete on the ship was laid out. We must be up and through breakfast by 9 o'clock. At 10:30 o'clock the sprinters work out and go through their paces on the cork running track.

The jumpers and weight men take the deck at 11:15 o'clock, and there is generally a considerable list to starboard when such men as Rose, McGrath, McDonald and Gillis get together at the shot-putting cage. Lunch is at 1 o'clock, and after an hour's rest the walkers and distance men get in their work. The track is a little more than 200 yards around, and, aside from the fact that it is not banked on the curves, it is as good as could be desired.

The swimmers have two tanks slung from ropes on the forward deck, where they train at regular hours. A harness holds them in place while they go through the motions of the "crawl." The cyclists have a set of frames rigged, which give them all the work needed without a regular track. The rear wheel is lifted clear of the deck, and by means of a brake enough pressure is applied to give the same results as though on the road.

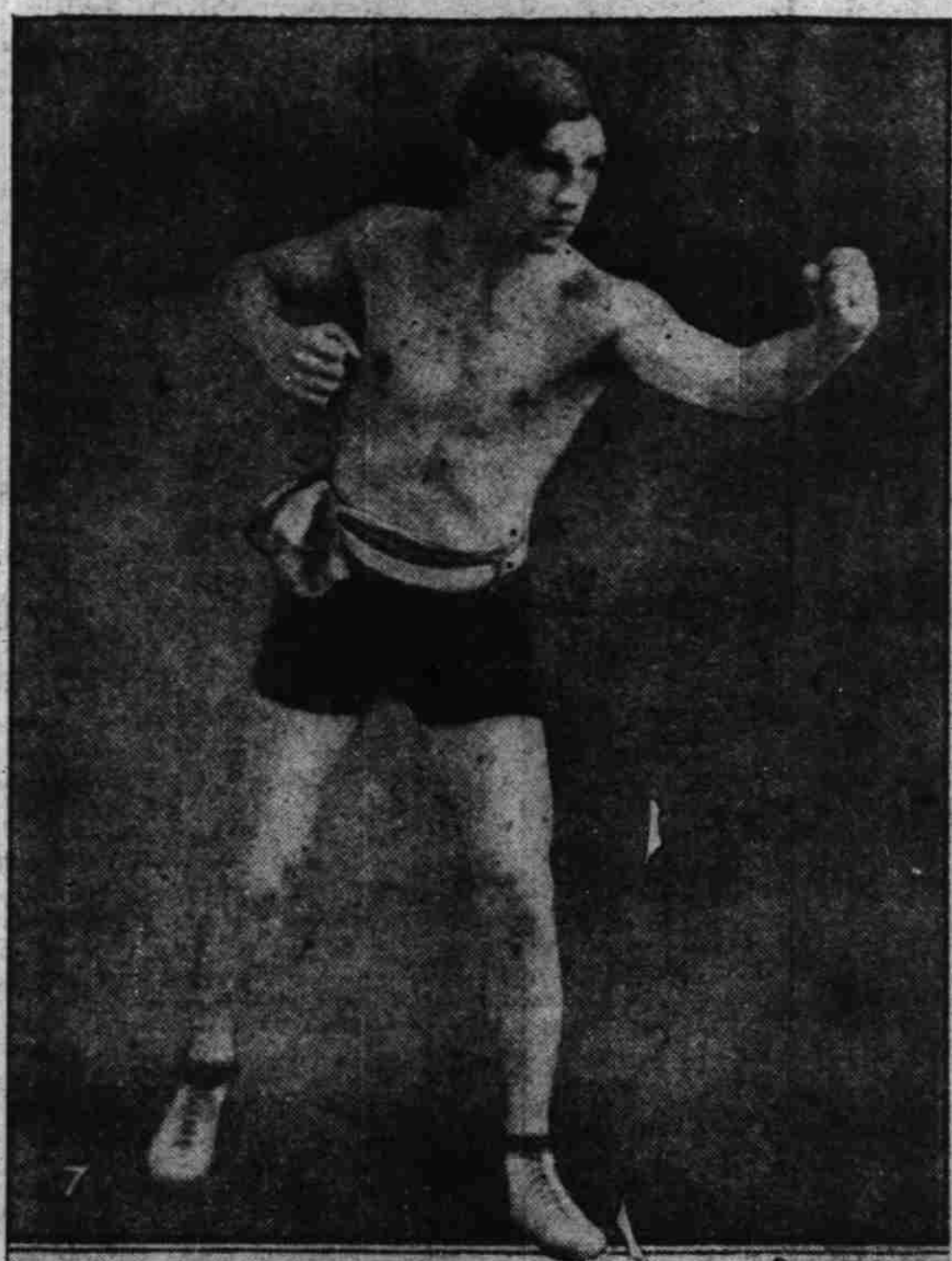
THOSE PUZZLING FIGURES.

The meter having been accepted by a majority of the nations as a basis of linear measurement, it was determined upon for use in the Olympic games, and with a few exceptions track and field distances have been marked according to it.

The distances on the Stockholm program, reduced to exact terms of English measurement, which are common here, are as follows:

Meters.
1—39.37 in.
100—109 yds. 13 in.
110—120 yds. 11 in.
200—218 yds. 2 ft. 9 in.
400—437 yds. 10 in.
800—874 yds. 2 ft. 9 in.
1,500—1,640 yds. 5 in.
1,000—1,093 yds. 18 in. (little less than mile).
2,000—2,187 yds. 10 in.
5,000—5,468 yds. 3 in.
10,000—10,936 yds. 3 in.
40,200—43,633 yds. 13 in.
(There are 1,760 yards or 5,280 feet in a mile.)

WOLGAST'S TITLE SHAKY



AD WOLGAST
Whose Lightweight Crown Doesn't Fit Very Well These Days

CHAMPION'S DIZZY FINISH OF BATTLE WITH RIVERS IS CLEARLY SHOWN IN PICTURES

Instead of dying down, the controversy over the Wolgast-Rivers fight in Los Angeles July 4 is growing warmer. Opinion, to judge by the Coast papers, seems to be about evenly divided as to whether or not Wolgast was entitled to the decision given by Jack Welsh. All sportmen waited for the motion pictures to throw further light on the subject, and this is what a Los Angeles dispatch of July 7 has to say of them:

Showing practically every blow struck in the Vernon arena on July 4, the moving pictures of the Wolgast-Rivers fight were given their first presentation today at a private display. The important questions raised by the unsatisfactory conclusion of the fight in the minds of the fight enthusiasts are to a certain extent satisfied by the pictures.

If Wolgast fouled Rivers at the finish, the films fail to record it. In the thirteenth round the pictures show the men fighting head to head near the ropes. Suddenly Wolgast's arms begin working like mad at the infighting. Four body blows are delivered. They are clearly shown. First right and then left to the body and then repeat with lightning rapidity.

The pictures show Rivers sagging backward, one foot stretched forward, and as the champion lunged forward his foot strikes the foot of Rivers, who is just settling back to the canvas.

Wolgast Falls Over Rivers. Wolgast stumbles forward over this foot as Rivers finally stretches out, and the champion falls over the prostrate body of the man below. Reference Welch stoops over them, apparently at a loss. He takes Wolgast by his right shoulder and drags him off the prostrate body of Rivers, who is stretched out completely with his face to the floor.

COLLEGE PITCHER GETS \$900 A MONTH

Some idea of the extreme steps major league clubs will take to secure ballplayers was illustrated recently by the furor created by Eppa Rixey Jr., a collegian southpaw. Here was a 21-year-old who made a name for himself pitching for the University of Virginia, and every club in the majors was on his trail. Finally the bidding for his services got so brisk that the Philadelphia Nationals won out by giving him a salary of \$900 per month with a bonus to sign an iron-clad contract. Can you beat that?

Rixey is some husky, being some six feet six inches tall, and he weighs around 200 pounds. He pitched great ball for the college, but it is no criterion that he is worth the gamble the Phillies are taking with him.

The Washington team came within two games of tying the American League record for consecutive victories. The laurels are now held by the Chicago White Sox, who won nineteen games in a row in 1906, the year they won the championship under the leadership of Fieider Jones.

Detroit sprang a big surprise when waivers were asked on George Mullin and Summers, two Tiger veterans. Both twirlers have been going badly, and Hughie Jennings says he is going to start building up a new team.

Buddy Ryan has fallen off woefully with the stick. According to the latest averages he is batting just above the 250 mark, which accounts for Cleveland putting him on the bench. Peckinpaugh is hitting at a 275 gait, after getting off to a flying start.

Walter Johnson was sick abed for a couple of weeks, which greatly weakened the Washington team. The great pitcher contracted a bad cold and was threatened with tonsillitis for a spell. Luckily he has rounded out and Clark Griffith still has pennant hopes.

Lee Magee, the youngster who has been doing spectacular work for the St. Louis Nationals, recently went on a strike for a \$500 raise in salary, but was turned down cold and returned to the team, and had to pay a fine in addition.

THANKS TO FRIENDS. Mrs. Mamie M. Coleman-McBride wishes to express her thanks to the friends who assisted her with votes and subscriptions in securing the trip prize of the Evening Bulletin contest. A great many votes were sent in by friends not known and the help of these as well as many others is very much appreciated.

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MAUI POLOISTS SHOW GOOD FORM

Practice Game Gives Line on Valley Island St'ck Swingers

Yesterday afternoon three of the players who will carry the Maui colors to the polo field against Oahu Saturday gave the sideline critics a chance to size up their form during the progress of a snappy practice game against the Oahu Reds. The fourth member of the Valley Island team, Harold Rice, hasn't arrived, and his place was taken by R. W. Shingle of the home club.

This shift made it impossible to get a real line on Maui's ability for the injection of a new man broke up the team's combination. Shingle didn't know what to expect from his team mates and they, in turn, never knew just what their new No. 2 was going to do. The final score was 8 to 1 in favor of the invaders, although it should be said in justice to the Reds' ability, that they were mounted on a lot of dogs, the scrub ponies that will not figure in the match games. Again, the Reds played six men, changing round nearly every period in a way that tended to break up their own team play.

Maui Formidable.

The afternoon's play was sufficient to show that in Maui both Oshu and the Cavalry have a strong rival that is to be feared at all times. The players are hard hitters and aggressive riders, and they are superbly mounted as regards both speed and weight. Maui's ponies average by far the best of the three ponies for the eight periods, but it isn't likely that more than four will be used, the extras being along in case of accident.

Considerable interest was manifested in the play of Arthur Collins No. 1 for Maui, whose polo isn't known in Honolulu. Collins seemed to be something of a whirlwind in his position, riding off in a way that kept Henry Damon, the opposing back, bothered most of the time. He is mounted on very speedy ponies, and yesterday showed himself to be a goal hitter of ability. In fact, he is considered the surest shot on the Maui team. The only criticism that could be made of Collins' ponies is that they do not seem to be as handy as they should be, which keeps him out of the play at times.

Baldwin Hard Hitter. Frank Baldwin, captain and No. 2, was cracking the ball with mighty slashes, and was accountable for most of the goals. In Dandy, and two up-standing grays, Boy Blue and Kolara. Baldwin has three mighty fine ponies, while Hawaii and Cannon Ball are but a shade below in class. The features of the Maui skippers play is his hard hitting, both fore and backhand. He is also unusually good at centering the ball from difficult angles, putting it in line for a score on several occasions yesterday by cracking it under his mount.

David Fleming showed that he knows how to play the back position. He too is a hard hitter, but it was easy to see that he was not extending either himself or his ponies yesterday. Fleming has a fine string in Clara H. Jet, Manu, Joe, and Gypsy the latter being a veteran of many seasons.

For the Reds, Dr. Baldwin, Lieutenant Andrews, Arthur Jones, Harold Dillingham, Henry Damon and Walter Macfarlane cut in and out. All were poorly mounted, and found it hard to get together.

The field is in good shape, but with the heavy play on it, a little rain would be a blessing. In fact, it is getting alarming dry, and in some places cracks have opened up, showing how badly in need of a little moisture it is.

Tickets for the three-game series are now on sale at E. O. Hall & Son. A charge of \$10 will be made for parking space for motors for the three games, and a general admission of \$1. The Cavalry players and their mounts are all in good shape. If it is permitted to use the field tomorrow they will probably have a practice game with their second team.

BRITONS GIVE
UP POLO HOPE
A Russian polo team, led by Captain Dimitry Deace, holder of the King George V. gold cup for individual riders, won the King Edward VII. gold cup for teams with military riders in the international horse show at the Olympia, London, a few days ago, in the presence of the largest crowd that has ever witnessed a polo match in England. Three countries have now at least one leg on the cup, which has to be won three times for absolute possession. France has won it twice, and Belgium and Russia once each.

FORMER TRACK AND FOOTBALL STAR IS MARINE ENGINEER

It's quite a jump from the cinder path to the engine room grating, even for such a speedy performer on the cinders as "Bill" Rice, the former Hilo School and College of Hawaii track and football star. But Rice has accomplished the feat without apparent effort.

When he left here some months ago, Rice intended to go to College on the mainland, and his friends here expected to hear great things of him along the line of athletics. He changed his mind, however, and took to the sea, getting a good job in the engineer's department of the American-Hawaiian freighter Columbian.

When this vessel arrives from the Sound within a short time, Rice's old friends will have an opportunity of shaking hands with him. Unfortunately the Columbian is an oil burner, and Rice is unable to secure enough cinders to keep up his sprinting practice.

GUARD FAVORITE IN "Y" TENNIS

C. Axelrod and Jack Guard put up the best tennis of the Y. M. C. A. tournament to date, in a fast two-set match played yesterday afternoon, which went to the latter, 8-6, 6-4. At one time Axelrod was within a point of the first set, but Guard pulled away from him and won out.

The match developed some speedy tennis, Axelrod steadying down from his former appearances, and giving the Beretanian player all he wanted. Guard had the better of the service, dropping only two of his service games to Axelrod's four. Guard now looks like the tournament winner.

The old set play-off between Baldwin and Nelson was won by the former by the long score of 17-15. Both men were playing safe, and the match wasn't productive of any brilliant tennis. Baldwin was to have played Johnston immediately after his match with Nelson, but Johnston defaulted. This afternoon at 4:30 Hooks plays Larimer, and at 5:15 Marshall and Redington take the courts. The winners of these two matches get into the semi-finals.

Joe Kelly, manager of the Toronto International League club, has announced the acquisition of three major leaguers, "Peaches" Graham of the Phillies, Harry McCormick of the Giants and Pitcher Bobby Keefe of Cincinnati.

Leonvavello, the playwright who has written a comic opera in which the late King Manuel of Portugal and Gaby Deslys were caricatured to the delight of a Roman audience.

The poor showing made by the English team was a keen disappointment to Britishers, and especially to the Duke of Westminster, who had intended to challenge America for the possession of the Harry Payne Whitney trophy this year. It is not likely that an effort will be made now, as the Britishers only finished in third position. The Duke of Westminster, it will be remembered, came to the rescue of the English team last year, when they suffered such a severe financial loss in this country in striving to regain their lost laurels, and since that time the duke, regardless of cost, has been working to get together a team that would be reasonable sure of giving the Easterners a good fight. So poorly, however, did the latest star combination perform that there is little likelihood of the two countries coming together.

HILO BOAT CLUB READY FOR GAME

Big Island Will Have One of the Best-Equipped Plants in the Islands

Not only is Hilo to have a boat club that will eventually cut a large figure in Hawaiian rowing, but, from all accounts, it is to be one of the finest clubs in the Islands. Funds are available, boats have been ordered, construction work has been started, and there are a score of oarsmen waiting for the chance to take the water.

Word to this effect is brought here by V. L. Stevenson, the well-known newspaper writer and sportsman, who recently returned from the Big Island. "Hilo is going to have one of the best clubs in the Islands, and they are certainly going to have the best water for rowing," said Stevenson this morning. "The site selected for the boat-house is the old Inter-Island wharf, directly opposite Coconut Island. The piling is already there, and it will not take much to make it into a first-class boathouse. The water is deep, and when the Hilo breakwater is finished, the rowing men there will have a beautiful stretch of water to work on, not a pocket-handkerchief like Honolulu harbor, but a mile and a half straight-away."

The Hilo clubmen have ordered a new pair of barges from Rogers on the Coast, and they intend to buy a second-hand six-oared barge for use this year. There is no time to get a crew into shape for the coming September, but next year Hilo will have a strong boat in the race. And in 1914 the ragatta should go to Hilo. The clubmen there will pull hard for it, at any rate.

HOW THEY STAND

(Percentages July 12.) National League.				
	W.	L.	Pct.	
New York	57	16	.781	
Chicago	43	28	.606	
Pittsburgh	42	29	.592	
Cincinnati	49	26	.656	
Philadelphia	31	37	.456	
St. Louis	32	47	.405	
Brooklyn	28	46	.384	
Boston	21	54	.273	

American League.				
	W.	L.	Pct.	
Boston	53	25	.679	
Washington	48	32	.600	
Chicago	43	33	.563	
Philadelphia	42	39	.519	
Cleveland	40	39	.506	
Detroit	39	39	.500	
St. Louis	21	53	.284	
New York	19	55	.254	

Coast League.				
	W.	L.	Pct.	
Vernon	57	37	.606	
Oakland	55	40	.579	
Los Angeles	50	45	.526	
Portland	38	47	.447	
San Francisco	39	54	.419	
Sacramento	36	53	.404	

Northwestern League.				
	W.	L.	Pct.	
Seattle	48	37	.565	
Spokane	47	39	.547	
Vancouver	45	40	.529	
Portland	40	44	.476	
Victoria	38	45	.458	
Tacoma	36	51	.414	

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